

**RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT
DIVISION OF AIR RESOURCES
AIR POLLUTION CONTROL REGULATION NO. 4**

OPEN FIRES

4. Open Fires

4.1 Definitions

As used in these regulations, the following terms shall, where the context permits, be construed as follows:

4.1.1 "Open fire" means any fire from which the products of combustion are emitted directly into the open air without passing through a stack or chimney.

4.1.2 "Solid waste management facility" means any plant, structure, equipment and other real and personal property acquired, constructed or operated for the purpose of processing, treating or disposing of solid wastes but not segregated solid waste.

4.2 Prohibition

It shall be unlawful for any person to burn any material in an open fire at a solid waste management facility or in connection with any salvage, industrial, commercial or institutional operation.

4.3 Exemptions

The following shall not be subject to this regulation:

- (a) Burning for weed abatement or pest control after receiving approval of the Director.
- (b) Bonfires composed of clean, untreated wood or cellulose derivatives for festive occasions conducted by an institution.